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For: OPTICAL PICKUP DEVICE AND OPTICAL
DISC DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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Dear Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as set forth below.

Claims 3-8 and 11-29 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 2, 9 and 10 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer and claims 17-29 are added.